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| APPLICATION OF |) RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116 |
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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENTCommissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This is in response to the Final Office Action mailed October 30, 2003, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on January 30, 2003. The Examiner's rejections have been carefully considered, and in view of the remarks and claim amendments, reconsideration and early allowance of Claims 1-8 and 11 is courteously requested.

Kindly amend the application as follows:

Amendment to the Specification: None.**Amendment to the Claims** begins on page 2 of this paper.**Amendment to the Drawings:** None.**Remarks and Arguments** begin on page 4 of this paper.**Appendix:** None.**CERTIFICATION OF FACSIMILE TRANSMISSION**

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